

GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

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Georgia DOT Announces Proposed Construction Activities For I-75

TIFTON, GA. - Contractors for the Georgia Department of Transportation will perform major reconstruction of Interstate 75 at different locations between Exit 37/Adel-Old Quitman Road and the Crisp/Dooly County line. To ensure motorists and contractor safety, this work will warrant lane closures and traffic shifts along this section of I-75, which could cause short delays. However, there will be no lane closures from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Georgia DOT reports the following construction activities are tentatively planned for the period of August 28 through September 3, 2009:

COOK COUNTY UPDATE: Contractors for the Georgia DOT temporarily closed the I-75 Exit 41 onramp to traffic on Monday, August, 17. This ramp closure is being utilized to allow the replacement of the railroad overpass bridge on I-75 north.

COOK COUNTY UPDATE: Contractors for the Georgia DOT have temporarily shifted I-75 northbound traffic between mile marker 39 and mile marker 43. Traffic is shifted onto existing asphalt and concrete pavement to allow for the construction of a new railroad overpass bridge on I-75 north.

COOK COUNTY UPDATE: Contractors for the Georgia DOT have shifted southbound I-75 traffic onto newly constructed pavement near mile marker 55.

COOK/TIFT: Various construction activities are planned between Exits 37 and 59.

TURNER: I-75 north and southbound, between milepost 78 and 84, has recently been opened to six lanes. The

Denham Road overpass (non-accessible from I-75) is temporarily closed for slopes repair.

CRISP: Construction activities could include lane closures from Exit 99/SR 300 to the Dooly County line.

Southbound I-75 traffic was shifted onto the recently-constructed lanes of I-75 between Exits 99 and 104. The northbound I-75 on-ramp at Exit 101 has been temporarily closed; a detour route is posted. Northbound I-75 traffic has been shifted to the southbound lanes from milepost 98 to milepost 105. This project requires much of the project shoulders to be temporarily closed with barrier walls. Emergency pull-offs will be provided at various locations throughout the project between the Crisp/Dooly County line and milepost 98. Signs will be posted along the new

temporary route to assist motorists.

The Georgia DOT notes that the above construction schedules are proposed activities planned by the contractors and may change due to weather conditions or other factors.

As in any work zone, motorists are reminded to pay special attention to traffic control devices, signs and posted speed limits to ensure safe passage through the work zone.

Georgia DOT urges travelers to call 511 for updated information about this or any other construction project on interstates and state routes. Georgia 511 is a free phone service that provides real-time traffic and travel information statewide, such as traffic conditions, incidents, lane closures, and delays due to inclement weather. Callers also can transfer to operators to request assistance or report incidents 24 hours a day, seven days a week. More information is available at www.511ga.org.

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